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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This is a reply to the Office Action dated June 6, 2000 setting a three (3) month period for response. A Petition for a three (3) month extension of time and the requisite fee are provided herewith. Please enter the following remarks and amendments into the record.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows: